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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c) and MPEP § 708.02(IV), Applicants hereby request the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to grant this application Special status and advance examination of the application. The lead inventor, Robert S. Block, is over the age of 65 years, as required in MPEP § 708.02(IV).

As set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c), no government fees are required for this petition.

Filed herewith as evidence supporting this petition is a photocopy from Robert S. Block's U.S. Passport, which indicates that he was born on 26 November 1927, more than 65 years ago.

In the event any questions arise regarding this communication or the application in general, please contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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